

3. The composition of Claim 1 wherein said oil is selected from the group consisting of sesame, castor, cottonseed, cannola, saffron, olive, peanut, sunflower seed, α -tocopherol, and ethyl oleate.

Q2 4. The composition of Claim 13 wherein the thickener is aluminum monostearate.

5. The composition of Claim 13 wherein the thickener is white wax.

8. A process for preparing sustained-release pharmaceutical compositions of G-CSF:polyol:oil suspensions which comprises:

(a) mixing a solution of G-CSF in a polyol to form a G-CSF:polyol mixture;

Q3 (b) suspending said G-CSF:polyol mixture in a mixture comprising a thickened oil to form a G-CSF:polyol:oil suspension wherein the level of said polyol in said suspension is in the range from 15%-30% by weight.

Q1 13. The composition of Claim 1 wherein the thickener is selected from the group consisting of polyvalent metal salts of organic acids, waxes and high viscosity oils.